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WEST PARIS
Schools opened Tuesday, April 10th, for the spring term. Miss Greenleaf, the primary teacher boards at H. L. Patch. Ethel Flavin has returned to Farmington Normal school after spending a week at home.

Mrs. George Devine and daughter, Louise have returned from Auburn, where they have been stopping with Mrs. Devine's sister, Mrs. Ham since the former came from the C. M. G. Hospital. Mrs. Devine is improving in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Churchill are in very feeble health. Mr. Churchill is 95

years of age and the oldest man in Paris. He is blind and perfectly helpless, has lain in bed for nearly two years. Mrs. Churchill is 87 years old and has senile dementia and is a great care to her daughter, Mrs. Almada Richardson and granddaughter, Florence Richardson.

Harry Rowe is soon to move his family to his mother's house at Trap Corner.

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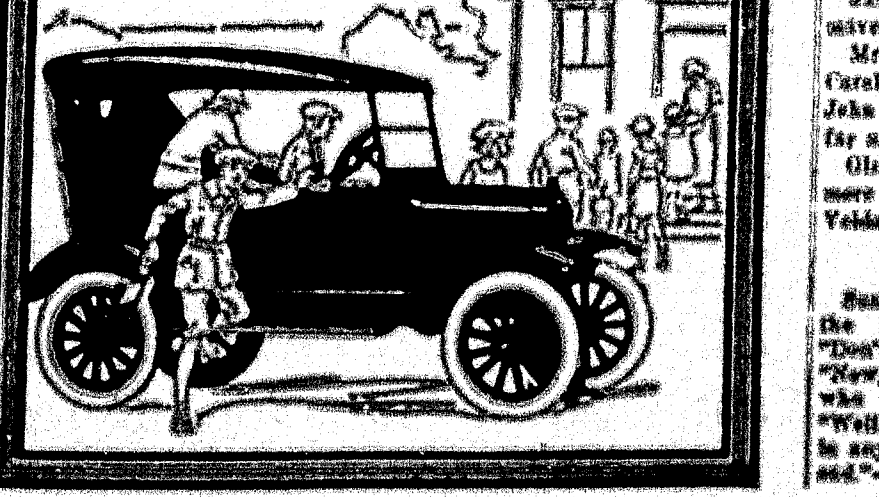
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CANTON
Benjamin Atwood Swasey, an esteemed resident of Canton, passed away Wednesday morning, following a paralytic shock which he sustained at three o'clock on the same morning. Mr. Swasey was born in Canton, Aug. 23, 1848, the son of Dr. Benjamin K. Swasey and Mary D. Perley Swasey. With the exception of a few years he has been a life-long resident of Canton. He was a Civil War veteran and enlisted from Canton in Company B, 32d Regiment, when he was but fourteen years of age. Mr. Swasey was an excellent dentist and followed that occupation up to a year or two ago, when his health became too poor for further work. For some time he was proprietor of Hotel Swasey. Mr. Swasey was thrice married, his first wife being Celia Hayford Chase, a daughter of Alvarado and Betsey Hayford. From this union one son was born named Lyman, who passed away when six years of age. His second wife was Miss Florine Hammond of West Peru. They had one son, Lyman Kelley Swasey, who enlisted in the World War, and died of scarlet fever in a hospital in France, April 5, 1918, when only nineteen years of age. The death of this son was a severe blow to Mr. Swasey, from which he never recovered. The Lyman K. Swasey Post, American Legion of Dixfield was named for him. He married for his third wife, Helen Harrington McLean of Dixfield, who survives, together with one son, Alan V., who is eight years of age, and a step daughter, Marjorie McLean. He is also survived by one brother, Hon. John P. Swasey, of Canton and four nieces, Mrs. A. L. Childs of Lewiston, Mrs. Payson Smith of Brookline, Mass., and Mrs. G. L. Wadlin and Miss Minnie E. Swasey of Canton. Mr. Swasey was a member of Anasagonicook Lodge, L. O. O. F., and was the first Noble Grand. He was also a member of John A. Hooge Post, G. A. R., and Relief Corps. The deceased will be much missed in the community, where he was a valued citizen. Of a happy, genial nature, he made many friends. The funeral was held Friday at the Universalist church, Rev. W. A. Kelley of Lewiston, a former pastor officiating. The beautiful and impressive Odd Fellows service was given after the sermon. The Odd Fellows attended in a body. The floral tributes were many and beautiful and included a pillow from the Odd Fellows and a spray from the Relief Corps. The bearers were: W. A. Lucas, R. Hollis, H. A. Sweet and B. T. Hayden. The interment was at West Peru. Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were: G. C. Howell of Rumford, A. L. Childs of Lewiston and Frank Stanley and Gerry Harlow of Dixfield.

The remains of Mrs. Rebecca Hurst were brought from Medford, Mass., Tuesday, and taken to Maple Grove cemetery, Hartford for interment. Mr. and Mrs. Appleton Hodge of Canton and Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Cummings of Livermore Falls accompanied the remains to the cemetery. She was an aunt of Mrs. Hodge and Mrs. Cummings.

R. W. Poor has returned home from the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Dymont are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mrs. Alice Turner of Sumner has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Edie Davenport and niece, Mrs. H. E. Richardson.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. Philena Streat when Patriots Day will be observed.

The Canton and Buckfield High schools will hold a debate at Canton Orange hall, next Friday evening.

The semi-annual meeting of Whitney Lodge, F. & A. M. was held Thursday afternoon and evening. The third degree was conferred on two candidates. A fine supper was served at six o'clock and ice cream and cake after the meeting in the evening. Among the visitors present were Rufus Stevens of Orr's Island, Capt. W. L. Chase and Priv. M. C. Walts.

Blanchard of Wilton and Farrington of Fayette have purchased the farm stock of Mrs. Elizabeth Dearborn. Mrs. Katie Blackwell has returned home from Rumford.

J. H. Blanchard of Auburn has been a guest of friends in town.

The High school will hold a fair and entertainment at the Orange hall, Friday, April 20th.

Arthur Robinson of Portland has been a guest of A. B. Blackwell.

Winfield Rose and family of Summit are planning to move to Canton soon. James Chadbourne and family have moved to Livermore Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Yates of North Carolina are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lindsay. They came by auto as far as Portsmouth, N. H.

Olivia and Evelyn Merin of Livermore Falls have been guests of Miss Velda Michael.

ANDOVER
Funeral services for Mr. Charles A. Andrews, who passed away Tuesday, were held at the Congregational church Thursday afternoon and were largely attended. Rev. C. W. Robinson officiated. The bearers were John Caldwell, William Cushman, J. H. Abbott and W. W. Perkins. The floral tributes were very beautiful. Mr. Andrews, who was 77 years of age, was the son of the late Russell and Mary (Elliot) Andrews, and had lived in Andover 40 years where he was prominently identified with all of its interests. He had served the town in many capacities and always well. A man of sterling character and marked business ability. He was ever ready to help those in need and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Mr. Andrews is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Wallace Marston and Mrs. Waldo Merrill, besides a number of grandchildren of this town. "He lived in a house beside of the road, and was a friend to man."

At the special meeting of the Hook and Ladder Co., held Saturday evening it was voted to purchase a chemical fire truck.

Rev. C. W. Robinson entertained his Sunday School class Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. C. A. Band. Games and amuse were enjoyed and a very pleasant evening was passed. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Charles Roberts is in Rumford, caring for Mrs. P. W. Learned, who is very ill.

The young people held their whist in the town hall, Thursday evening and fifteen tables were played. First prizes were won by Miss Annie Akers and Fred Milton, second by Edward Hutchins and Miss Mabel French. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. Dancing was enjoyed after the whist.

The selectmen are in session at their office this week.

Ray Thurston has a crew of men cutting wood at North Andover.

Abba and Reginald Melner dressed a hog that they purchased of Y. A. Thurston Friday, which weighed 374 pounds.

Mrs. Clayton Sweet and Miss Mabel French are guests of John Sweet at the University of Maine this week.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Band, Wednesday. Mrs. E. F. O'Brien and P. P. Thomas were first prizes, and Mrs. J. A. Dunning and John Talbot the second. Dainty refreshments were served.

The schools in town re-opened Monday.

A surprise party was tendered Mrs. Margaret Hand on Friday evening at the home of her son, C. A. Hand. It was the occasion of her 66th birthday and about 20 friends were present. Light refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening was passed. Mrs. Hand was presented with a nice wardrobe trunk.

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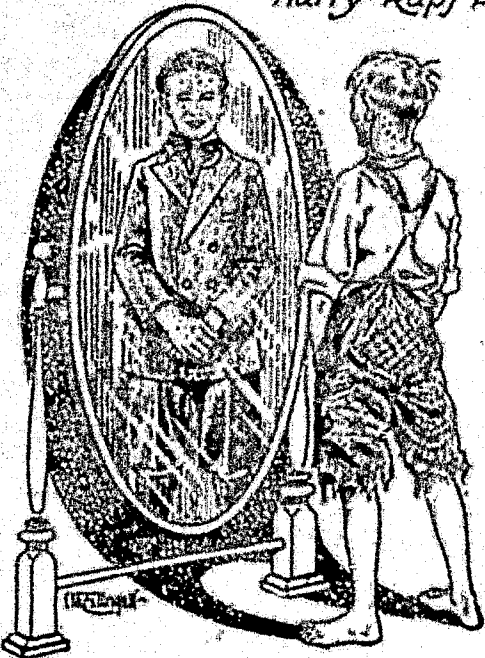
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BOY SCOUT NEWS

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ard Crockett, Elmer Thurlow, Bernard Dumas, Clifford Dumas, Philip Maxim, Arthur Brooks, James House.

The games of "go gettun", "plumb centre", and weight lifting preceded the start for home while at attention, in hiking formation, and in Pyramid Building.

BRYANT'S POND SCOUTS ON RELAY HIKE WITH NEW SCOUTMASTER

At the Scout Demonstration Friday night, Mr. C. B. Swanton, principal of Woodstock High School, was named as the New Scoutmaster of Troop 1. Already he has been on one hike and several regular meetings and has the backing of every member of the Scout troop and the townspeople besides.

Saturday morning a picked squad of some eight scouts started en route for West Paris on foot. On the way they measured the relay route from Mark Allen's store to the West Paris High School building. The day was real hot but the 33 foot tape was a short monotonous affair to measure some seven miles of roadway. Troop 1 is planning on covering their relay route in the shortest possible time allowable and already limbering up for the real business on the 25th.

BRYANT'S POND SCOUTS HAVE FIRST ANNUAL DEMONSTRATION

Some 100 people attended the Scout Demonstration and feed given by Troop 1, Bryant's Pond, Friday night the 6th. This proved a very successful affair and a credit to troop 1 as well as to the people who showed their interest in scouting by "turning out" well.

Dr. E. F. Willard, President of the Scout Board, opened the affair with a short talk. Executive Pugham gave a short talk on County Scouting and was in charge of the demonstration for the evening. Mr. Benjamin H. Billings served refreshments that warmed, filled and pleased.

The demonstration program was as follows:

Elementary Wig Wag Signaling and Message Sending, Sidney Ring, Frank Jordan and James Billings.

Fireman's Drag—Otis Dudley and Joe Parson.

Fireman's Lift, Sidney Ring and Percy Dudley.

Roller Bandaging, Lawrence Jordan and James Billings (with assistants).

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag, by all.

Knit Tying, Jay Willard, Edward Ring, Otis Dudley (in charge of Frank Jordan).

Triangular Bandaging, Percy Dudley and Sidney Ring.

Scout Oath and Laws, by Troop.

Games: Capt. Team 1, L. Jordan, Capt. Team 2, James Billings. Question relay, trap frog relay, and crab race relay won by score of 103 by Team 2.

Special—Every member of the above named list of scouts (except ones were members in good standing at the Oxford County Scout Camp for 1922.

CANTON BOY SCOUTS ON DECK

My dear Mr. Perkins:

I am transmitting to you the troop charter with the names of the boys who have re-registered and the names of seven new scouts.

Our troop is already to take part in the relay race of April 25th. It will be a real test for the boys.

We have a new scoutmaster and a new troop. We are very happy to have you with us.

Yours for Scouting,
W. Edward Chase,
Scoutmaster

Extra Dope on 100 Mile Relay—OXFORD COUNTY

The 100 mile relay race to be run April 25th, by Oxford County Boy Scouts is the talk of the Grand Trunk Rumford Loop. Rumors to suspect and the evening street relay at Rumford is the goal.

Each troop that goes across its local relay race 100 per cent (without any mix-up) considering the average speed will receive a beautiful streamer inscribed Boy Scout Relay 100 Miles—Oxford County. This streamer will be such that it may be attached to the troop American flag.

A special prize will go out to the Troop making the best average time. On account of the variety of road conditions and the distances this will be an indefinite judge of the best relay team. In any way it will be a distance honor in another way it will not hold.

the significance that will go with the official relay streamer for 100 per cent performance.

Oxford County Boy Scouts are putting this relay across to show that there is co-operation between the various troops, to prove that they are alive locally and, to win the honor of putting across the first 100-mile relay race to be run in the State of Maine.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the friends who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement, for the beautiful floral tributes and to Rev. C. B. Oliver for his words of comfort and Mr. S. S. Greenleaf for his services.

Mr. Nathan Scribner,
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scribner,
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brown,
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. N. Scribner.

RUMFORD POINT

George Muse and wife have returned to their home here.

H. G. Elliott has moved back from East Rumford.

William Walker remains about the same.

P. G. Fames is still confined to the house.

Stella Elliot is working for Mrs. James Kerr at Rumford.

Kate Blanchard and Edna Smith of Hanover left Monday for New York for a two weeks visit with relatives.

Miss Katherine Brown of West Bethel was a guest at the Hopkins home last week.

SONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Iman are rejoicing over the birth of a son, April 4th. Lester Benjamin. Mrs. Charles Becker is caring for her.

Mrs. Pat Murphy's uncle from the west, Mr. Alfred Heath, spent several days with her last week.

Herman E. Brown is working for A. B. Kimball cutting cord wood.

Mrs. Abner Kimball and Miss Celia Kimball went to Lewiston, Saturday.

Miss Jessie Trask accompanied them.

School opened April 4th, Mr. Kane as teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Donahue attended Mrs. Nathan Scribner's funeral at West Bethel, Monday.

Mrs. Herman E. Brown and children were callers at Sango Lake Cottage, Tuesday.

E. L. Edwards was at Pattee's Mill, Tuesday.

Large Mouth Called Good Sign.

"She was simple enough to be somewhat apologetic about the largeness of her mouth, unaware that a man of experience sees from a small, rosy mouth as from the devil, and that a large mouth is the certain sign of good will and understanding in a woman."

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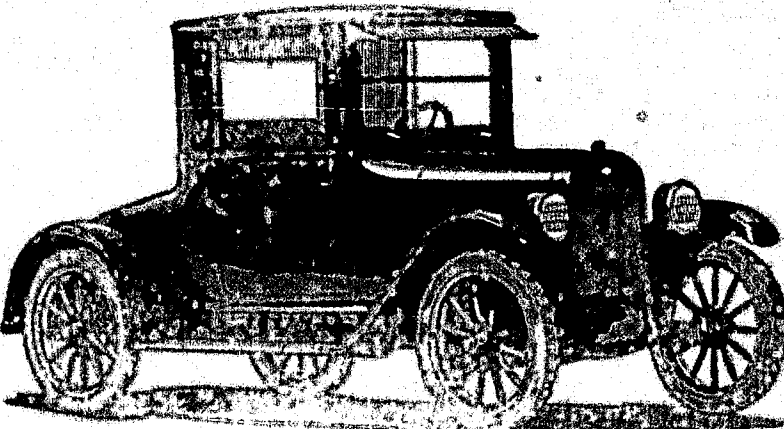
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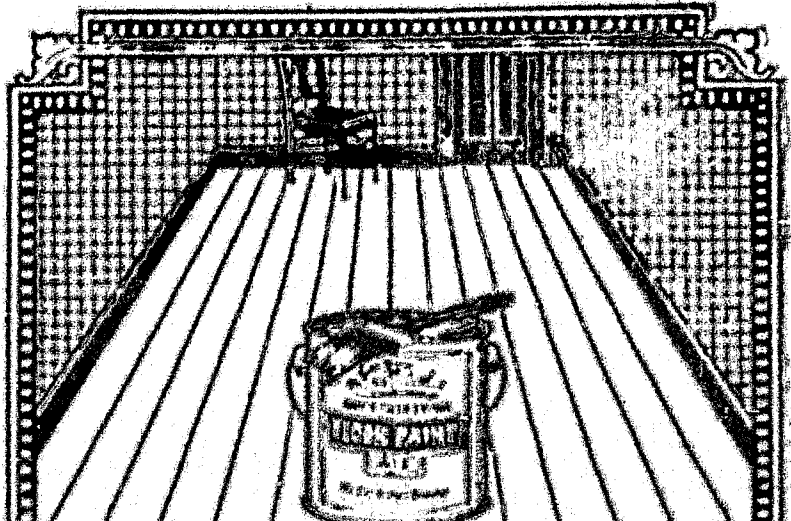
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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Living in a barn, converted into a dwelling, Mrs. Penfield is manager of the "Custard Cup," originally "Custard Court." Her income is derived from laundry work, her chief patron being a Mrs. Horatia Weatherstone, whom she has never seen. Living with her are "Crink" and "Thad," homeless small boys whom she has adopted. They call her "Penzie." Thad tells Penzie a strange man was inquiring for her under her maiden name.

CHAPTER II.—A tenant, Mrs. Gussie Bosley, induces Penzie to take charge of a package, which she does with some misgivings.

CHAPTER III.—Searching a refuse dump for things which are of value, Crink, veteran at the game, encounters a small girl, Lettie, who proves a foeman worthy of his steel. He takes her to Penzie, and Lettie is adopted into the family.

CHAPTER IV.—The stranger proves to be Mrs. Penfield's uncle Jerry. He announces he is going to remain in the vicinity of The Custard Cup.

CHAPTER V.—Uncle Jerry arranges to occupy the loft above Mrs. Penfield's abode.

CHAPTER VI.—Uncle Jerry meets Prudence Hapgood, no longer young, but attractive, and the two appear to "hit it off" well. Lorene Perry, young friend of Penzie's, tells her of her engagement to Dick Chase, also a mutual friend.

CHAPTER VII.—Friendship developing between Uncle Jerry and Frank Bosley, husband of Gussie, worries Penzie.

CHAPTER VIII.—Calming a tenant, Mrs. Sanders, the victim of a nervous breakdown, Mrs. Penfield reveals the tragic story of her own life, the sudden loss of her three children in an epidemic, and the subsequent death of her husband.

CHAPTER IX.—Lettie's pet aversion to The Custard Cup has long been known to Mr. Josiah Wiggins, and the animosity culminates in a physical encounter in which much water is spilled.

CHAPTER X.—Dick Chase confides to Mrs. Penfield that his fiancée, Prudence, is seeking to prevent their marriage. Penzie skillfully exposed Mrs. Perry's sham, and the latter is forced to withdraw her objections.

Mr. Wiggins was relieved. He had feared criticism; to be approached for advice was therefore doubly acceptable.

"Well, my idea is," he said in a high, thin voice, "my idea is that she belongs in a reform school."

"Um! On what grounds?" Mrs. Penfield's voice was low and pleasant.

"On the grounds of being a nuisance."

She smiled. "It's your idea, then, to put all human nuisances into reform schools?"

Mr. Wiggins glanced at her sharply, and a dull red crept up under his sallow skin—gratuitously, because Mrs. Penfield's question had been wholly impersonal.

"That's my idea with young 'uns," he confirmed.

"With young ones? What would you do with the old ones?" Her lips curved in amusement.

"It don't matter," he retorted. "We're talking 'bout Lettie, ain't we?"

"We started with her," agreed Mrs. Penfield, still smiling, "but your making a distinction that way set me thinking. Sounds like the younger a feller is and the more he needs help, the more you'd be for branding him as had and shoving him out of some body's home care. Way I look at it is:

"I want to talk to you."

the main reason we older folks are hanging on to existence is to look for the younger ones and try to help 'em out of anything we're done. I figure that's the only way to keep the world moving ahead."

Mr. Wiggins' head snapped like a turtle's. "I can tell you one thing straight, Miss Penfield. If you want to shove the world along, you can't go right in and shove. You've got to be one of those born-sealed social workers that sticks

children in the first consideration. I do my part, and I ain't goin' to do no more."

"Your part?" queried Mrs. Penfield sweetly. "What is that?"

"Why, I don't ask nothin' from nobody. I work hard, and I earn everything I get."

"Land!" laughed Mrs. Penfield. "That ain't so much! Ain't any cow in the country that don't do more. Why, there wouldn't no cow have any respect for herself if she didn't more'n earn her own living; and so long's you're a human being and belong to society, you got to do more. You got to do your part toward that society. That's what I'm asking you to do toward Lettie. You got a social responsibility toward her."

Mr. Wiggins twined his head impatiently. "Tain't a subject that's specially 'intr'usht' to me, and—"

"Wait a minute," suggested Mrs. Penfield good-naturedly. "We been kind of skimming the edges, but we're near the meat of the matter now. I've made Lettie give you an apology, although goodness knows I think she's as much entitled to receive one as to give it. But that's all right, 'cause the feller that apologizes is the one that gets the benefit. Now I'll tell you what I'm going to do."

Mr. Wiggins' eyes shifted nervously. He was like a little fussy dog that barks and threatens when he is the only one in sight, but subsides cringingly if a powerful dog challenges. When it came to a contest of wills, Mr. Wiggins could measure himself with remarkable but silent accuracy.

"First thing," she continued, "I'll have Lettie replace that window. Then I'm going to put up some wire netting 'tween the two yards. That'll keep 'em on his side. Next, I'll see that Lettie never trespasses or interferes with you. If she ever does, you let me know, 'bout taking mob law into your own hands. Understand?"

"Well," returned Mr. Wiggins slowly, "yes, of course, if you'd rather meddle."

"I had," interrupted Mrs. Penfield briskly. "It'll suit me fine to be given a chance on any such occasion. I can think of pleasanter jobs, but I ain't stopping at nothing that'll help Lettie. You see, Mr. Wiggins, the chief reason you and I are having this conversation is 'cause we got different ideas about human rights. You think children ain't any good unless their families would make 'em read in a cyclopedia, and I believe the Lord never let 'em be born so promiscuous as constantly happens if the main thing wasn't what becomes of 'em after they get here. 'Course they interfere a lot, but you can bend it or shape it in any direction you like."

"Ain't no use in your looking down on Lettie 'cause you don't know where she come from. Chances are her family tree's got as many live branches on it as yours has. There ain't much difference in families when you come right down to it—no more'n there is in individuals. The main difference in folks is in the amount they'll confess."

"Now, what all this comes to is: Lettie's going to have her chance. I've elected to give her breathing space and what help I can, and I'm trusting the Lord to right the human nature in her that's got a 't' twisted. But there's one thing you got to keep in mind. That is, there ain't nothing I won't do to help that child grow into the fine woman she's capable of making. She ain't going to be favored, and she ain't going to be petted; but she's going to have her chance."

Her right hand, resting on an old post between the yards, clenched suddenly till the knuckles pressed the blood from the skin; her fine eyes glowed with unusual fire; but her even color and the mild curve of her lips showed how superbly she had herself in control.

Mr. Wiggins was paralyzed—not by the words, but by the fact that they had been spoken by this woman whom he had known for many months without suspecting the dynamic will power

pressing changed as swiftly and completely as the picture on the screen when a new slide is inserted in the lantern. Her fingers uncurled; her body relaxed; the fire in her eyes blended into a warm glow; her lips curved back from her white teeth in a smile that was unexpectedly youthful.

"Guess you can see this is a serious matter with me, Mr. Wiggins. And you'd dead right thinking I hadn't got any man to lean on. Uncle Jerry ain't 'round 'nough to be counted on steady, and as long's you'd noticed yourself that I need a man's help, I thought maybe you'd be that man."

Mr. Wiggins coughed. "Why—er—er—"

"That's the idea," she encouraged. "You could do it so easy, you know, living so near and knowing Lettie all ready—and everything. You could kind of praise her when she's doing well, and make a little suggestion now and then that'd start her in the right direction."

Apparently Mr. Wiggins' shoulders grew half an inch broader. "She's sure too much for you, Miss Penfield," he admitted, "and as long's you stand up for her through thick and thin, blamed if I don't make me mad. But now you've come down from your high horse, I don't mind helping out what I can."

"Oh, thank you," she acknowledged with feeling.

"S all right," he disclaimed, with a magnanimous wave of his hand. "We're neighbors. All is, I don't quite understand what a hole you was in."

"But I knew you would," put in Mrs. Penfield gratefully. "If I could only explain it to you right. I can't tell you how much I appreciate it."

With a sunny smile she went back to her own steps. For several minutes she had had an eye on Dick Chase, who had come around the house and was patiently waiting for the colloquy to be over.

"Mrs. Penzie," he began directly, "I'm in the devil of a fix."

"Are you?" Her tone was sympathetic, but there was in it no tincture of surprise. She was accustomed to crises. Life in The Custard Cup produced them in abundance.

"Come right on in," she invited cordially, "and we'll talk it over."

"No, I can't all down. I'm supposed to be on my job, but I dropped in for a minute, because Lorene wouldn't be around. I didn't want her to hear of it." Dick Chase passed, as if hardly knowing where to begin on the perplexity that had brought him to Number 47. Mrs. Penfield waited in silence.

Presently the young man's gravity was broken by a whimsical smile. "Say, Mrs. Penzie, you're willing I should marry Lorene, aren't you?"

"My dear boy," she smiled back, "you've got my consent and my blessing. I believe you'll make Lorene happy; and if you don't, I'll be 'bout the first feller on your trail."

"You bet I'm going to try to save you that trouble," he said, with returning seriousness. "But the question is, will I ever get Lorene?"

"My goodness, you don't mean you've quarreled?"

"Thunder, no. That might be simpler. There'd be a chance that we might get out here under the popper tree and make it up. No, it's Mrs. Perry."

"But, surely," she expostulated, "surely you aren't taking a nervous, selfish woman so seriously. Haven't she an income of her own?"

"Yes, but it's small. Unless she earns something herself, she can't live the way she's been living. Lorene has denied herself to give her stepmother comfort and happiness—some idea of obligation to her father's memory, I suppose. And so—"

"Good land, Mrs. Perry'll get used to it. It may be a wrench at first, but—"

"Mrs. Penzie, you don't understand. The point is that she's getting Lorene. Working on her sympathy and conscience. Why, at this very minute we're further from Lettie married than we were two months ago—confound it!"

"Tell me about it," he begged. "It's a reasonable request. I was rather flustered that you'd take one word and make ten out of it. Well, you know, Mrs. Perry's thought up various silly schemes to make it unpleasant. And now it's her right side. She says she's partially that the case of it. He broke off, staring steadily at the wall. Mrs. Penfield watched him, but said nothing.

"You can see what that means," he continued. "Constant care, and she can't afford a nurse or companion. Only a stony-hearted girl would leave her, only a brute would ask the stony-hearted girl to do it, either. There's a—"

"I don't know about her—her helplessness," began Mrs. Penfield gently.

"Know about it?" He turned and confronted her in swift indignation. "Nobody knew about it till two days ago. She claims she hasn't been feeling well for a long time, but she's careful in silence. We've been trying to have her consult a doctor, but she won't listen to it—says we've no right to smear an afflicted woman when she can do her own diagnosing."

"But you think there's no doubt—"

"I think there's no doubt but that she's making the whole thing up," exploded the young man. "What I thought maybe you'd do, Mrs. Penzie, is to look us over from the standpoint of an outsider and tell us how to act."

The subject, "I can't tell you on the minute, but I'll see if I can think you

anything. I'll go over tomorrow, and maybe I'll get a line on it. You come around sometime soon, and I'll report."

He held out his hand. "Thank you. You're my mother, Mrs. Penzie, but I'll bet you didn't know it. I never had one that I could remember—till now."

Before she could speak, he was gone.

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FATHER FOUND TWO-YEAR-OLD BOY VERY SICK

Was Constipated, Thin, No Appetite, Had Swollen Lips, Stomach Pains

A hardy woodsman and enthusiastic fisherman of Maine, has a very interesting record to report. He writes: "As a boy, thirty-seven years ago, I began to take Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller. Once after six months hauling logs, I came out of the woods and found my two-year-old boy very sick. He was thin, had no appetite, had swollen lips, pains in stomach, was suffering from constipation for months."

"I had not been in the house an hour when an elderly lady—a good neighbor—came in and told my wife to get a bottle of Dr. True's Elixir, saying she had seen numbers of similar cases which it had relieved."

"My boy was given a half dozen doses of Dr. True's Elixir, when he began to show improvement, he began soon to eat with a relish, play around and look healthy. He did not have to take a full bottle, and in later years, whenever he got off his feed, a few doses would straighten him out quick."

"When I get constipated, a couple of teaspoons of Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, fix me O. K."

"My son is grown up now and has a family of six children, and he has practically raised his family on Dr. True's Elixir. The children go out and get hold of something not good for them. It's hard to watch all the children, and so when they eat something they shouldn't and get sick, Dr. True's Elixir is given and the family is put in good shape again."

"I have read in the papers you have to take a half a dozen bottles of some remedies, but you don't have to do this with Dr. True's Elixir. Simply a few doses and then quick relief. The three generations of my family have been kept healthy by using it."

Symptoms of worms, constipation, offensive breath, swollen upper lip, de-ranged stomach, occasional pains in the bowels, pale face, eyes heavy and dull, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, red points on the tongue, starting during sleep slow fever.

Nearly every child and grown-up needs a laxative sometime. The fond parents safeguarded the health of their children, as well as their own, by keeping their bowels in condition. The herbs used in Dr. True's Elixir are imported and of strictly pure quality. No harmful drugs. Keep the bowels regular by using Dr. True's Elixir, the True Family Laxative and Worm Expeller.—40c—60c—\$1.25.

RUMFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sutton of West Peru are at present residing in Rumford, Mr. Sutton being employed in town.

W. S. Morrow who has been ill at his home on York street, is receiving treatment at the McCarthy Hospital. Mrs. Morrow who has been quite ill, is now much improved and able to be out.

A daughter was recently born to the wife of Edward Holmstrom, who has been given the name of Violet Flora.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Huestis and daughter, Elizabeth, have returned to their home in Providence, R. I. after a stay of several months in town. Mr. Huestis is general manager of the Mount Zircen Spring Water Company.

The installation of the officers of the C. H. Chisholm Auxiliary will be held on April 10th. Mrs. Susan Cooper, Deputy, serving as installing officer. Supper will be served on this date to members of the Auxiliary and Clansmen. Following the supper the installation will be held.

Principal J. Frank Carter of the Rumford High school is on the sick list, having suffered a surgical operation at the McCarthy Hospital for appendicitis.

Charles H. Soule will move his blacksmith shop on Prospect Avenue, to the lot directly opposite his present location.

The office of the accounting department of the Maine Telephone and Telegraph Company have moved to their new quarters on the third floor of the Trust Co. Building, where the offices of Mr. P. Abbott and Henry Nelson were located.

Over \$150.00 was taken in from the Easter sale and supper held by the Ladies of the Universalist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Arsenault are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Mrs. Lelia Morrison and two sons, Hubert and John of Norway have been recent guests in town.

The people of the Parochial school are enjoying a ten days vacation.

Mrs. Charles Levin is at the McCarthy Hospital where she has undergone an operation for appendicitis. Who is getting along nicely.

The next meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held on Tuesday, April 10th.

Mrs. Alfred Jones of the Vesperian fire team is receiving the sympathy of her many friends to the death of her father, Mr. Johnson of Newburgh.

The Boys for One More Year will soon hold a Social at the home of Mrs. H. W. Brown on Prospect Street, Mount Zircen Park.

Mrs. William T. Howe of Penobscot street is the guest of relatives in Portland.

Henry McDonald is detained from his work at the Hotel House of the M. & N. Co. on account of his eyes.

The death of Raymond, little two months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Howard of Franklin street occurred on Thursday of last week at their home.

William E. E. and John Hendrickson have recently moved their families into apartments in the new Sile block on Walla street.

Mrs. Gerald A. Peabody has been a recent guest of her daughter and family of Mr. and Mrs. William Hasky of Augusta.

Mrs. Claude Gilpatrick and two children of Milton, Vt. are expected this week to be the guests of Mrs. Gilpatrick's mother, Dr. Lucius Follen Hayes of Locksport Road.

The total sum of \$41,600 was appropriated last week at the Corporation Meeting of Rumford Falls Village. A large crowd was in attendance and three speakers seemed to feature the program of the meeting. Hon. Walter Pet-

tengill was chosen Moderator, and then all immediately proceeded to business. \$5,000 was voted for street lights, \$2500 for hydrants and \$13,000 for the police force. The Fire Department was voted \$15,000. The discount on taxes was fixed at the same rate as last year, the salaries of all elective officers were fixed at the same rate as last year, and the assessors were authorized to appoint a regular police force, to determine the number and fix the compensation of the same. \$1750 was voted to defray corporation debt and interest and \$3100 was appropriated to make a contract for the collection of garbage. \$300 was voted for public hand concerts, and \$300 for the Rumford Symphony Orchestra. The sum of \$1000 was appropriated for the maintenance of Chisholm Park. Daylight Saving was again turned down in most decisive fashion the vote being 402 against it and 174 for it. One of the liveliest contests was over the office of assessor resulting in the fact that Cass P. Voter defeated C. Waldo Lovejoy 433 to 330. Another lively session ensued over the Article whether or not the police force should be instructed to enforce the prohibitory laws in Rumford. It was defeated at the meeting, but for all that, the matter has not been dropped. A committee is now being organized, composed of prominent citizens, who will very soon call upon the Assessors of the Town and put the matter before them.

A meeting of the Rumford Amateur Baseball League has recently been held and plans drawn up for the season of 1923. As far as is known, the same teams that took the field last year will again be represented this year. These teams are the Oxford Paper Co. nine, last year's champions; the International Paper Co., Continental Paper and Bagging, and the Merchants. The officers elected are Roy Hester, president; C. F. Maynard, Vice President; Rex Carrier, treasurer and H. G. Noyes, secretary.

Mrs. Ralph T. Parker is ill at the McCarthy Hospital, having undergone a surgical operation for appendicitis and got along.

Mrs. Clara Gonyea, an operator in the local telephone exchange, is receiving the sympathy of her friends upon the death of her father, Mr. Lamb of Milton Plantation.

The death of Joseph, nine months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Horton, occurred last week at their home on Walla street, from bacterial pneumonia.

Mrs. Margaret McMenamin has formed a club among her female pupils to be known as the "White Mistletoe Club" with Miss McMenamin as director. Serving as officers are President, Clara Wallick; vice president, Margaret Latham; secretary and treasurer, Janette Brown. The purpose of this club are recital work, study of the lives of the great masters and for general cultural education through games and contests.

The death of Mrs. Amanda Johnson occurred last week at her home on Walla street, following an illness of tuberculosis. Her age was 21 years. Surviving are her husband, a little son, two and a half years old, her brothers and two sisters.

Miss Mabel Chase has been appointed by the Trustees of the Rumford and Mexico Water District as Treasurer of that Corporation for the coming year, to succeed Judge Arden H. Stearns. Miss Chase has been Cashier of the Water District for several years, and takes on the Treasurership in addition to her duties as Cashier.

In Ancient Parliament. The Maine parliament claims to be the oldest in the world, having been founded in 900 by a certain King Orry. It levies its own taxes, makes its own laws, and will recently collect its own money.



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